

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR PINT SY  
SUBJ: SYRIAN MEDIA SUMMARY FOR APRIL 7, 1977

1. LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE APPEARED IN DAMASCUS MEDIA ON LEBANON,  
APRIL 7 BEING 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING OF BAATH PARTY AND  
OCCASION FOR SELF-CONGRATULATION. ALSO, BREAKDOWN IN PRINTING  
PRESSES USED FOR TISHRIIN AND THAWRA PREVENTED PAPERS FROM  
APPEARING AS OF 1400 HRS.

2. SOLE ARTICLE ON LEBANON APPEARING IN AL-BAATH REPORTED  
PRES. SARKIS HELD MEETINGS APRIL 6 WITH FONMIN BUTROS, ADF  
COMMANDER AL-HAJJ AND VARIOUS DEPUTIES. SEVERAL DEPUTIES  
QUOTED BACKING IMPLEMENTATION OF CAIRO AGREEMENT AND  
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REBUILDING OF THE ARMY, TWIN THEMES OF MEDIA'S  
CURRENT EDITORIAL LINE ON LEBANON. DEPUTY AL-ALI  
STATED: "I AM CONVINCED CAIRO AGREEMENT WILL BE  
IMPLEMENTED." DEPUTY AL-KHAYR QUOTED DECLARING: "WE HAVE  
ABLE PRESIDENT THROUGH WHOM DIALOGUE CAN BE CONDUCTED UNDER  
SLOGAN, 'THE ENEMY IS AGAINST EVERYBODY; RETURN TO ONE  
LEBANON; EQUALITY AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES; AND SPEEDY

ACTION TO SEND LEBANESE ARMY TO THE SOUTH."

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